

1 AN ACT
2 RELATING TO DRUG COURTS; ESTABLISHING PROGRAM FEES; CREATING
3 FUNDS; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS.
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5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

6 Section 1. A new section of Chapter 34, Article 6 NMSA
7 1978 is enacted to read:

8 "DRUG COURT FEES--FUND CREATED. --

9 A. In addition to any other fees collected in
10 the district court, a district court that has established an
11 adult drug court may assess and collect from participants a
12 "drug court fee" of fifty dollars (\$50.00) a month. Program
13 fee requirements may be satisfied by community service at
14 the federal minimum wage.

15 B. Drug court fees shall be deposited in the
16 "drug court fund" of a specific judicial district in the
17 state treasury. The judicial district shall administer
18 money in the fund to offset client service costs of the drug
19 court program, consistent with standards approved by the
20 supreme court. Money in the fund shall be expended on
21 warrants of the secretary of finance and administration upon
22 vouchers signed by the court administrator or his authorized
23 representative. Balances in the fund shall not revert to
24 the general fund at the end of a fiscal year. "

25 Section 2. A new section of Chapter 34, Article 9 NMSA

1 1978 is enacted to read:

2 "MAGISTRATE DRUG COURT FUND--CREATED.--The "magistrate
3 drug court fund" is created in the state treasury. The
4 administrative office of the courts shall administer money
5 in the fund to offset client service costs of drug court
6 programs in magistrate courts, consistent with standards
7 approved by the supreme court. Money in the fund shall be
8 expended on warrants of the secretary of finance and
9 administration upon vouchers signed by the court
10 administrator or his authorized representative. Balances in
11 the fund shall not revert to the general fund at the end of
12 a fiscal year. "

13 Section 3. MAGISTRATE COURT--DRUG COURT FEE--MONTHLY
14 REMITTANCES.--

15 A. A magistrate court that has an adult drug
16 court program may assess and collect from participants a
17 "drug court fee" of fifty dollars (\$50.00) a month. Program
18 fee requirements may be satisfied by community service at
19 the federal minimum wage. Proceeds from the drug court fee
20 shall be deposited in the magistrate drug court fund.

21 B. Each magistrate court shall pay monthly to
22 the administrative office of the courts, not later than the
23 date established by rule of the director of the
24 administrative office, the amount collected pursuant to
25 Subsection A of this section, which shall be credited to the

1 magistrate drug court fund. The administrative office shall
2 return to each magistrate a written receipt itemizing all
3 money received and credited to the fund.

4 Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. --The effective date of the
5 provisions of this act is July 1, 2003. _____

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